

Dear Parent:

Our children are our Nation's most valuable asset. They represent the bright future of our country and hold our hopes for a better Nation. Our children are also the most vulnerable members of society. Protecting our children against the fear of crime and from becoming victims of crime must be a national priority.



Unfortunately the same advances in computer and telecommunication technology that allow our children to reach out to new sources of knowledge and cultural experiences are al

so leaving them vulnerable to exploitation and harm by computer-sex offenders.

I hope that this information helps you to begin to understand the complexities of on-line child exploitation. For further information, please contact your local FBI office, the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children at 1-800-843-5678, or the Shelby County Crime Victims Center at 901-545-HELP (4357).

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